

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5     METHOD OF PREPARING AN ESTER OF AN AROMATIC CARBOXYLIC  
          ACID BEARING AT LEAST ONE PERFLUOROALKYL GROUP

10     The invention relates to a method of preparing an ester  
of an aromatic carboxylic acid bearing at least one  
perfluoroalkyl group on the aromatic ring and, more  
specifically, alkyl esters with low carbon  
condensation. The inventive method is characterised in  
that it consists in (i) reacting an aromatic compound  
bearing at least one perfluoroalkyl group and at least  
one nitrile group on the aromatic ring, an alkanol and  
15     a strong protonic acid at a temperature of at least 45  
°C and (ii) recovering the ester thus produced.